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In re Application of:

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For: CERAMIC DENTAL MILL BLANKS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The deadline for filing a response to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2002 originally required a reply by May 26, 2002.

Applicants desire additional time to respond to the Office Action, and therefore request that the deadline for reply to the Office Action be extended under the provisions of Rule 136(a) to August 26, 2002.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge any fee required in connection with this paper, including the \$920.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) for consideration of

this extension to Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this sheet is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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